

Literacy Gem 6

Spelling Rules 1

Tip:

Learn simple spelling rules to improve accuracy.

Rule 1:

ai and oi are never used at the end of words –

use ay and oy instead e.g. **rain** / **pay** **boil** / **boy**

Rule 2:

An –all sound at the end of words generally use –all, but at the beginning they use just –al e.g. **small** / **always**

Rule 3

c+e / **c+i** / **c+y** always make soft s sounds: **centre** / **city** / **cycle**

Your turn!

Work out a rule for the examples
you see below.

Share your ideas with your group.

Rule 4:

full awful peaceful wonderful

Rule 5:

wallet wander want was wash watch

Rule 6:

busses buzzes boxes benches rushes

(Answers on final slide.)

Were you correct?

Rule 4:

full **awful** **peaceful** **wonderful**

A 'full' sound at the end of the word has only one -l.



Rule 5:

wallet **wander** **want** **was** **wash** **watch**

An a after w always gives an o sound (as in 'what').

Rule 6:

busses **buzzes** **boxes** **benches** **rushes**

Add -es to make plurals for words ending in s, z, x, ch (tch) and sh.